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TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

Friday, March 4, 2005

Regular Session

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Chairperson Santos de Barona at 7:35 a.m. on Friday, March 4, 2005. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Participating by Telephone

Maryann Santos de Barona, Ph.D. - Chairperson
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Board Members Not Participating¹

Michael J. Rohrbaugh, Ph.D.

3. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF APPLICANTS

➤ Request for Examination

A motion was made by Dr. Paul, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and unanimously carried (6-0), that **Kathryn Doyle, Ph.D.**, having met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071 and A.A.C. R4-26-203, be approved to sit for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology, and for licensure upon receipt of a passing score on the Examination, and payment of the pro-rated original license fee.

➤ Requests for Licensure

Dr. Paul next made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and unanimously carried (6-0), that the following applicants, having met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071.01(A), be approved for licensure upon payment of the pro-rated original license fee:

- **Virginia Bell-Pringle, Ph.D.**
- **Christen Iannone, Psy.D.**
- **Kimberly Montag, Ph.D.**

¹ There was a vacancy on the Board for a public member position.

In regard to the application of **Charulata Nadig, Psy.D.**, Dr. Paul reported that the Board received an adverse action report filed with the National Practitioner Data Bank that on October 24, 2002, the applicant's Title IV clinical privileges were revoked. The stated basis for the action was substandard or inadequate care and the description and reasons given for the action taken were as follows:

A peer review panel found that Lieutenant Nadig had failed to properly document the outpatient mental health care provided to 79 patients in 276 patient encounters, that on three separate occasions she caused the cancellation of patient visits due to her failure to arrive in a timely manner, and that she had a one day unauthorized absence. There was evidence presented at the peer review hearing that Lieutenant Nadig's deficiencies may have been due in part to a medical condition. Based on these findings her clinical privileges were revoked and her staff appointment was terminated.

Dr. Paul stated that the conduct and circumstances described above would constitute grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee pursuant to Title 32, Chapter 19.1, that is, a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2061(A)(13)(l)(Practicing psychology while impaired or incapacitated to the extent and in a manner that jeopardizes the welfare of the client or renders the psychological services provided ineffective); and A.R.S. § 32-2061(A)(13)(o)(Providing services that are unnecessary or unsafe or otherwise engaging in activities as a psychologist that are unprofessional by current standards of practice.

A motion was then made by Dr. Paul, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and after some discussion unanimously carried (6-0), to deny the application of **Charulata Nadig, Psy.D** on the grounds that she failed to demonstrate to the Board's satisfaction that she had met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071.01 (A)(3):

Has a professional record that indicates that he has not committed any act or engaged in any conduct that constitutes grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee pursuant to this chapter.

Board members discussed the idea of proposing changes to the Board's licensure statutes that would allow the Board to license psychologists with unprofessional conduct in their background or who have been disciplined by another jurisdiction but who have remediated or rehabilitated. It was the consensus of the Board to refer this issue to the Board's Legislative Rules Committee for further consideration.

➤ **Ratification of License Issued by Credential**

Dr. Paul then made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lovejoy, and unanimously carried (6-0), to ratify issuance of licensure by credential to **Julia Ramos-Grenier, Ph.D.**, who had met the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071.01(B) by means of her diploma from the American Board of Professional Psychology.

Finally, Dr. Paul announced that the following applications were **ongoing**:

David Davidson-Methot, Ph.D.
Elizabeth Sikora, Ph.D.
Patti Taylor, Ed.D.
Michael Tilus, Psy.D.
Kimi Wright, Ed.D.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Dr. Paul, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, and unanimously carried (6-0), to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 a.m.

Prepared by:

Marcus Harvey
Deputy Director

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Joseph C. Donaldson
Secretary